

REMARKS

This application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action dated January 24, 2008. Applicant respectfully requests consideration of the foregoing amendment in light of the following remarks.

Status of the Application

Claims 19, 20, 22-25, 28-32, and 35-38 remain pending in the present application with Claims 19, 25, and 32 being independent claims and the remaining claims being dependent claims. By the present Amendments and Remarks, Applicant respectfully submits that the objections and rejection of the present Office Action has been overcome, and respectfully request reconsideration of the outstanding Office Action and allowance of the present application at the Examiner's earliest convenience.

Summary of the Office Action

Claims 19, 25, and 32 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112 as failing to comply with the written description requirement.

Claim 19 and 23-24 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,483,999 (Anderson) and further in view of U.S. Pub. No. 2002/0021454 (Johnson).

Claims 20, 22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Anderson and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,745,712 (Turpin).

Traversal of 35 U.S.C. 112 Rejection

Applicant has amended Claims 19, 25, and 32 and submits that the claim rejection has been overcome and respectfully requests the withdrawal of the rejection at the Examiner's earliest convenience.

Traversal of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) Rejection

Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection of claims 19 and 23-24 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Anderson and further in view of Johnson.

Turning to the specific claim language of the present application, amended Independent Claim 19 is directed to an information processing apparatus that generates a print job based on a composite form file including a plurality of forms and page data which is laid on the form by displaying a setting display including images and identification information of the plurality of forms included in the composite form file, selecting one of the plurality of forms in accordance with an instruction input via the setting display, setting an instruction to halt print processing using the form selected by the selection means before instructing print processing for the composite form file, generating a halt command to halt print processing using a selected form, job generation generating the print job based on the halt command and the form, and sending the print job.

Applicant respectfully submits that Anderson in view of Johnson fails to discuss or disclose at least the above described features of the present invention.

Anderson is seen to describe a printer which uses the page sensor in the document feeder or the lid to trigger an interrupt sequence. The interrupt sequence may begin by displaying the current job status on a display such as the printer control panel to provide user feedback such as the number of pages remaining in the current job, approximate time left, etc. thereby allowing the user to cancel the interrupt job or simply wait until it is finished.

Johnson is seen to describe a method and apparatus for detecting and processing print jobs that request backchannel data. More specifically, detecting the presence of commands requesting backchannel data communication and processing the incoming print job based upon the presence of commands requesting backchannel data communication in the incoming print job.

Applicant submits that Anderson in view of Johnson does not disclose each and every feature recited in amended Independent Claim 19. More specifically, they are not seen to disclose displaying a setting display including images and identification information of the plurality of forms included in the composite form file as shown in Fig. 14 of the present invention.

According to the Office Action, Anderson discloses a display (Fig. 1, 22) as the displaying screen, but it is used for displaying the current job status to a user (Detailed Description of Fig. 3; Claim 6). Nothing in Anderson is seen to even remotely discuss or describe at least the present invention's feature of displaying a setting display including images and identification information of the plurality of forms included in the composite form file. The present invention enables a user to easily and accurately select a form to be stopped since the user can select the form by seeing an image of the plurality of forms.

Since Anderson is not seen to describe each and every feature of the present invention, Applicant respectfully submits that the rejection of Claim 19 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) has been overcome, and respectfully request the Examiners to withdraw the rejection and indicate the claim as allowable at the Examiner's earliest convenience.

Amended Independent Claims 25 and 32 were rejected for similar reasons as Claim 1. Therefore, Claims 25 and 32 are also believed allowable for the reasons set forth above. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully request that the rejection of Claims 25 and 32 be withdrawn, and the claims be indicated as allowable at the Examiner's earliest convenience.

The remaining claims are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) based on Anderson in view of referenced art. Claims 20, 22-24, 28-31, and 35-38 depend from at least one of Independent claims 19, 25, or 32. As such, Applicant submits that these claims are allowable at least for the reason that they depend from one of the allowable base claims and which further recite additional features that define the present invention.

CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that all of the claims pending in the application meet the requirements for patentability and respectfully requests that the Examiner indicate the allowance of such claims.

Any amendments to the claims which have been made in this response which have not been specifically noted to overcome a rejection based upon prior art, should be considered to have been made for a purpose unrelated to patentability, and no estoppel should be deemed to attach thereto.

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Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner may contact Applicant's representative at the telephone number below.

Respectfully submitted,

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